

**Purulia Hydel Project**

5245 **SHRI CHITTA BASU** Will the Minister of **POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES** be pleased to state

(a) whether the Electric Power Development Corporation of Japan has shown interest in Purulia hydel project,

(b) if so, whether the Government have since entered into collaboration with the Corporation, and

(c) if so the terms and conditions thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (**SHRI KALAP NATH RAI**) (a) to (c) An agreement amounting to 260.94 million Yen has been signed between West Bengal State Electricity Board and Electric Power Development Company Ltd., (EPDC), Tokyo, Japan on 31.5.1990 with prior approval of Government of India, for preparation of Detailed Project Report for Purulia Pumped Storage Scheme (4x225 MW = 900 MW) and transfer of related technology. As per the agreement M/S WAPCOS India Ltd. in association with Central Electricity Authority and Central Water Commission are consultants and EPDC, Japan are the foreign Consultants. As per the terms and conditions of the agreement the detailed project report of the project is to be completed by the end of March, 1992.

**Issue of Boarding Passes**

5246 **SHRI JEEWAN SHARMA** Will the Minister of **CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM** be pleased to state

(a) whether boarding passes without IA tickets are being issued to the passengers on flights,

(b) if so, the number of such passes issued in 1991,

(c) whether any enquiry has been instituted into the issue of these passes, if so, the outcome thereof, and

(d) the amount of loss incurred as a result thereof, and

(e) the steps proposed to be taken to plug the loopholes?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (**SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA**) (a) and (b) During 1991, one person was found on board a flight with a duplicate boarding pass issued in the name of a bonafide passenger.

(c) Yes, Sir. Disciplinary action is in progress against the Indian Airlines staff, who had issued the duplicate boarding pass.

(d) and (e) Indian Airlines has not incurred any loss on this account as the unauthorised passenger was detected before the departure of the flight. The remedial steps taken to plug the loophole are,

(i) Duplicate boarding card is issued only after verification of the bonafide of the passenger and with the prior concurrence of Duty Officer/Duty Manager/Station Manager/Airport Manager,

(ii) Preventing entry to the security lounge, of persons in possession of the original boarding card reported lost by bonafide passenger,

(iii) The boarding card stubs collected at the step ladder are tallied with the number of passengers indicated in the trim sheet. In the event of any discrepancy, head count of passengers is done inside the aircraft.